

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/722,529	WU ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	John J. Figueroa	1712	

All Participants:

(1) John J. Figueroa.

Status of Application: Ready for Examination

(3) _____.

(2) Donald. V. Tomkins (780/424-2200).

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 21 December 2005

Time: 2:15 PM

Type of Interview:

Telephonic
 Video Conference
 Personal (Copy given to: Applicant Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: Yes No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

1 and 3-40 as part of Restriction Requirement. Applicant subsequently elected Group II, claims 27-33.

Prior art documents discussed:

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
 It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: An election from a restriction requirement was requested from Mr. Donald Tomkins, attorney for Applicants. The restriction was: Group I: claims 1 and 3-26 drawn to a drilling fluid comprising surfactants (507/106); Group II : claims 27-33 drawn to a process of making a drilling fluid (175/65); and Group III: claims 34-40 drawn to a drilling fluid comprising an oil carrier (507/138). Mr. Tomkins contacted the Examiner later that day to express Applicant's wish to elect Group II, the process claims.